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WOUND FILTER AND METHODS
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 17, 2003, to which a shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on December 17, 2003, please amend the claims as set forth hereinafter.